GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN POLICE FUNCTIONING
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any direction to State Governments for public participation in police functioning;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the details of institutional mechanism created in this regard;

(c) whether any NGO have been involved in this exercise;

(d) whether the Government is considering to bring a legislation on community participation in policing to make them friendly and transparent; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (c): Yes Sir. Community policing is an essential part of good government. In order to seek assistance of the community in prevention and detection of crime, the State Government have been asked to encourage police-public interaction and cooperation including assistance of NGOs.

(d) & (e): Various aspects of Police reforms including public participation in policing through a New Police Act are under active consideration of the Government.